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PETITION FOR SECOND AND THIRD-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Petition is submitted in connection with the Final Office Action issued November 28, 2006 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the November 28, 2006 Final Office Action was due February 28, 2007. Applicants previously petitioned for a one-month extension of time to respond to the November 28, 2006 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. Accordingly, applicants hereby petition for a second and third-month extension of time from March 28, 2007 to May 28, 2007. The fee for a second and third-month extension of time for a small entity is FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$450.00), i.e. \$510.00 minus \$60.00, and a check for this amount is enclosed. Applicants have previously established small entity status. With a second and third-month extension of time, a response to the November 28, 2006 Final Office Action is now due May 28, 2007. However, since May 28, 2007 falls on a Federal Holiday, a response filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, i.e. Tuesday, May 29, 2007, is considered timely under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Accordingly, this

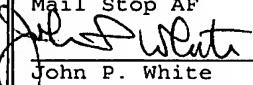
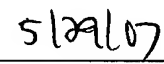
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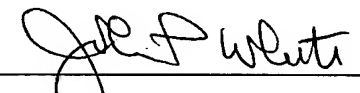
Petition is being timely filed.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$450.00 for a second and third-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if an additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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